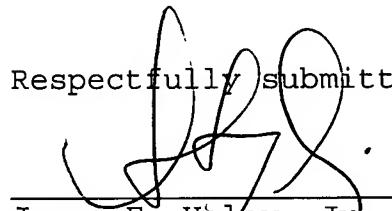


pending.

Amended claim 1 and added claims 51-85 are clearly supported in the Specification. See, e.g., original claim 1 and claims 2-50. See also, page 50, line 1 to page 55, line 14, page 32, line 23 to page 33, line 16, page 34, line 23 to page 43, line 26 and page 31, lines 12-21.

Applicants request entry of the above amendments and allowance of the pending claims.

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Appendix to Claim Amendment

1. (Amended) A method for treating multiple myeloma comprising administering to an individual a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising an antagonist of an interaction between an $\alpha 4$ subunit-bearing integrin and a ligand for an $\alpha 4$ subunit-bearing integrin, wherein said antagonist is a small molecule.

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